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Chapter VII
General segment

B. Coordination, programme and other questions

8. Ad hoc advisory group on African countries emerging from conflict

1. The Council resumed consideration of agenda item 7 at its 50th plenary meeting, on 22 August 2003 (see E/2003/SR.50).

Action taken by the Council

2. Under agenda item 7, the Council adopted decision 2003/311.

Ad hoc advisory group on African countries emerging from conflict: Burundi

3. At the 50th meeting, on 22 August 2003, the Council had before it a draft decision (E/2003/L.48) entitled "Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi", submitted by the President of the Council.

4. At the same meeting, the President informed the Council of a statement of programme budget implications on draft decision E/2003/L.48, contained in document E/2003/L.49.

5. Also at the same meeting, the Council adopted the draft decision, as orally amended. See Council decision 2003/311.

6. After the adoption of the decision, the representatives of Burundi and South Africa made statements.

7. At its 52nd meeting, on 19 December 2003, the representative of South Africa, in his capacity as Chairman of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Burundi, briefed the Council on the activities of the Group.

C. Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227 and 52/12 B

8. The Council resumed consideration of agenda item 8 at its 52nd meeting, on 19 December (see E/2003/SR.52).

Action taken by the Council

9. Under agenda item 8, the Council adopted decision 2003/314.

Report of the Secretary-General on the consolidated report on the work of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council in 2003

10. At its 52nd meeting, on 19 December, on the proposal of its President, the Council decided to defer consideration of the item "Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227 and 52/12 B: Consolidated report on the work of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council in 2003" to the

organizational session of the Economic and Social Council in 2004. See Council decision 2003/314.

E. Regional cooperation

11. The Council resumed consideration of agenda item 10 at its 51st meeting, on 31 October. The President of the Council brought to the attention of the Council the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation in the economic, social and related fields (E/2003/15/Add.2) (see E/2003/SR.51).

Action taken by the Council

12. Under agenda item 10, no action was required.

H. Economic and environmental questions

1. Sustainable development

13. The Council resumed consideration of agenda item 13 (a) at its 52nd meeting, on 19 December (see E/2003/SR.52).

Action taken by the Council

14. Under agenda item 13 (a), the Council adopted decision 2003/316.

Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its fifth session and report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on the eleventh session

15. At its 52nd meeting, on 19 December, on the proposal of its President, the Council decided to defer consideration of Chapter IV of the report of the Committee for Development Policy in its fifth session (E/2003/33) and chapter I.B of the report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its eleventh session (E/2003/29) to the organizational session of the Economic and Social Council in 2004. See Council decision 2003/316.

16. At the same meeting the representative of the United States of America made a statement (E/2003/SR.52).

3. Statistics

17. The Council resumed consideration of agenda item 13 (c), at its 52nd meeting, on 19 December (see E/2003/SR.52).

Action taken by the Council

18. Under agenda item 13 (c), the Council adopted decision 2003/317.

Report of the Statistical Commission on its thirty-fourth session

19. At its 52nd meeting, on 19 December, on the proposal of its President, the Council decided to defer consideration of the report of the Statistical Commission on its thirty-fourth session (E/2003/24) to the organizational session of the Economic and Social Council in 2004. See Council decision 2003/317.

8. International cooperation in tax matters

20. The Council resumed consideration of agenda item 13 (h) at its 51st meeting (see E/2003/SR.51).

Action taken by the Council

21. Under agenda item 13 (h), the Council adopted decision 2003/313.

Change of date of the eleventh meeting of the Ad Hoc Group of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters

22. At its 51st meeting, on 31 October, on the proposal of its President, the Council decided to endorse the decision to change the date of the eleventh meeting of the Ad Hoc Group of Experts from 10 to 14 November 2003 to 15 to 19 December 2003. See Council decision 2003/313.

9. United Nations Forum on Forests

23. The Council resumed consideration of agenda item 13 (i) at its 52nd meeting, on 19 December (see E/2003/SR.52).

Action taken by the Council

24. Under agenda item 13 (i), the Council adopted decision 2003/315.

Date and venue of the meeting of the ad hoc expert group of the United Nations Forum on Forests on consideration, with a view to recommending the parameters of a mandate for developing a legal framework on all types of forests

25. At its 52nd meeting, on 19 December, on the proposal of its President, the Council decided that the ad hoc expert group of the United Nations Forum on Forests would meet in New York from 6 to 10 September 2004.

VIII. Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments

1. The Council resumed consideration of agenda item 1 at its 51st meeting, on 31 October (see E/2003/SR.51). The Council had before it the following documents:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General on the election of one member of the International Narcotics Control Board from among candidates nominated by Governments, pursuant to article 9, paragraph 1 (b), of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961 as amended by the 1972 Protocol (E/2003/L.3/Add.12, 14, 15 and 16);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General on the election of 10 members of the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (E/2003/L.3/Add.13).

Action taken by the Council

2. Under agenda item 1, the Council adopted decision 2003/201 E.

IX. Organizational matters

D. Resumed substantive session

1. The Council held its resumed substantive session of 2003 at United Nations Headquarters on 22 August, 31 October and 19 December 2003 (50th to 52nd meetings) (see E/2003/SR.50-52).

Action taken by the Council

2. The Council resumed consideration of agenda item 1 at its 51st meeting, on 31 October (see E/2003/SR.51). See Council decision 2003/312.

Participation of an intergovernmental organization in the work of the Economic and Social Council

3. At its 51st meeting on 31 October, the Council decided to grant observer status with the Council to the Helsinki Commission, an intergovernmental organization. See Council decision 2003/312.